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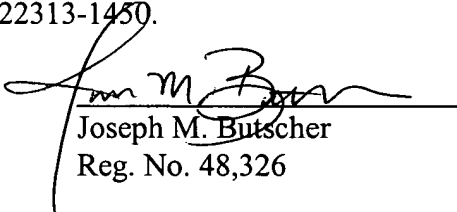
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that the references listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 be considered in the examination of the above-identified patent application:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the Applicants are not required to submit the references listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 because these references were previously cited by, or submitted to, the Office in a prior application, namely, United States Serial No. 10/108,197,

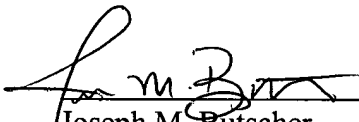
which was filed March 27, 2002. The present application is a divisional of United States Serial No. 10/108,197, and thus relies on that application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

This submission, is in no way intended as an admission that the listed references constitute prior art under any subsection of 35 U.S.C. § 102. Applicants expressly retain the right to take any actions necessary to remove the listed references from the available prior art.

Consideration of the listed references in the examination of the present patent application is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due because it is believed that this statement and enclosures are being filed before the first Office Action on the merits has been mailed by the PTO. Please charge any other fees due in connection with this statement to Deposit Account 50-2403.

Respectfully submitted,



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